

**AMENDMENT TO MR. TAUZIN'S AMENDMENT
OFFERED BY MR. TOWNS**

(Page & line nos. refer to Chairman's Mark of June 17, 2003)

Insert after section 235 (page 120, after line 24) the following new section (and conform the table of contents accordingly):

**1 SEC. 236. EXPANDING THE WORK OF MEDICARE QUALITY
2 IMPROVEMENT ORGANIZATIONS TO INCLUDE
3 PARTS C, D, AND E.**

4 (a) APPLICATION TO MEDICARE MANAGED CARE
5 AND PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE.—Section
6 1154(a)(1) (42 U.S.C. 1320c-3(a)(1)) is amended by in-
7 serting “, Medicare Advantage organizations under part
8 C, prescription drug plan sponsors under part D, EFFE
9 plans under part E, and eligible entities under section
10 1807” after “under section 1876”.

11 (b) PRESCRIPTION DRUG THERAPY QUALITY IM-
12 PROVEMENT.—Section 1154(a) (42 U.S.C. 1320c-3(a)) is
13 amended by adding at the end the following new para-
14 graph:

15 “(17) The organization shall execute its respon-
16 sibilities under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of para-
17 graph (1) by offering to providers, practitioners,
18 Medicare Advantage plans under part C, prescrip-
19 tion drug plan sponsors under part D, EFFE orga-